

BRFG Docket N . 22176/5
ITW Docket No: ITW 13625

COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventors, hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is for a utility patent application.

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION

FLUX-CORED WIRE FORMULATION FOR WELDING

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification

- ☒ is attached hereto.
☐ was filed on _____ and has U.S. Application Number _____
and was amended on _____

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

I hereby appoint the following practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and transact a business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

APPOINTED PRACTITIONER(S)

Brian L. Michaelis, Reg. No. 34,221
Mark S. Leonardo, Reg. No. 41,433
Barry C. Nelson, Reg. No. 46,951
Maria M. Eliseeva, Reg. No. 43, 328
John J. Penny, Reg. No. 36,984

David D. Lowry, Reg. No. 38,538
Peter B. Sorell, Reg. No. 44,349
Joseph P. Quinn, Reg. No. 45,029
Mark A. Hofer, Reg. No. 30,068
John C. Serio, Reg. No. 39,023

All of Brown, Rudnick, Freed & Gesmer, One Financial Center, Boston, MA 02111; and

Mark W. Croll, Reg. No. 31,098
Lisa M. Soltis, Reg. No. 40,623
Paul F. Donovan, Reg. No. 39,962
Benjamin J. Hauptman Reg. No. 29,310

Donald J. Breh, Reg. No. 30,159
John H. Pilarski, Reg. No. 33,028
R. Wayne Pritchard, Reg. No. 34,903

Of Illinois Tool Works, Inc., 3600 West Lake Avenue, Glenview, Illinois 60025

SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO**DIRECT TELEPHONE CALLS TO:**

Maria M. Eliseeva
Brown, Rudnick, Berlack Israels, P.C.
One Financial Center
Boston, MA 02111

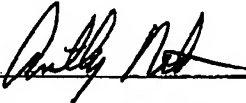
Maria M. Eliseeva
617-856-8340

AUG 06 '02 02:15PM SEBU MATERIALS

P.2

DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

SIGNATURE(S)**Inventor:** Anthony Nikodym**Inventor's signature:** **Date** 8/6/02**Country of Citizenship:** U.S.**Residence:** 1795 Old Staunton Road, Troy, Ohio 45373, USA**Post Office Address:** Same as above

#1075748 v1 - 221762